

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Response to the Objection under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The previous amendment at col. 2, lines 15-36 was objected to for adding new matter because of lack of clear support for the number 570 and 440. Those numbers were calculated as stated in the amendment but were rounded off. As the Examiner correctly notes there is support from column 6, line 35 and the molecular weights of the preferred monomers to get the following more specific numbers:

a) 50:50 ratio, MW of DVS-bis BCB = 390, MW of BCB-acrylic acid = 174

$$(0.5 \times 390 + 0.5 \times 174) / 0.5 = 564 \text{ grams/mole of acid functionality}$$

b) 40:60 of monomer a):monomer b) which are preferred to be respectively DVS-bisBCB and BCB-acrylic acid

$$(0.4 \times 390 + 0.6 \times 174) / 0.6 = 434 \text{ grams/mole of acid functionality}$$

Therefore this paragraph has been amended a second time to use the above number 564 and 434 which are clearly shown by the above calculations and the Examiner's calculations to be supported by the original specification. Therefore, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejection in view of the amendment herein.

The previous amendment at column 12, was objected to for lack of clear support for the added language. This language has been deleted in the present amendment.

2. Claims 23 and 24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 23 and 24 were rejected for lack of written description for the contents of those claims. Claims 23 and 24 have been cancelled and replaced with new claims 25 and 26 which recite the specific equivalent weights 564 and 434 calculated above. Applicants request reconsideration of the application and allowance of all pending claims including claims 1-22 which were previously indicated to be allowable.

Respectfully submitted,



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